GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4360
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INSTALLATION OF MOBILE TOWER IN DISTT. KHIRI
Azmi Shri Iliyas

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any request for installing a Mobile Tower in Mitoli town, district Khiri (U.P.);

(b) if so, the time by which said tower is likely to be operational;

(c) whether the Government is aware of the difficulties faced by the people of Mitoli in the absence of a Mobile Tower;

(d) whether G.M., BSNL, Khiri has allegedly connived with private companies and caused loss to the Government;

(e) if so, whether the Government proposes to conduct a high level investigation into the said matter; and

(f) if so, the time by which the said investigation is likely to be conducted?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Having planned the cellular coverage of all the District Head Quarters, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is now in the process of extending coverage of the cellular mobile services up to Tehsil Head Quarters based on Techno-commercial viability. The project, accordingly, is under roll out. However, there is no plan at present to provide Mobile Tower at Mitoli town, district Khiri (U.P) as it is not commercially viable.

(d) There is no material evidence available on record to substantiate the allegation against General Manager, B.S.N.L, Khiri.

(e) & (f) Do not arise in view of (d) above.